



## CALIFORNIA STATE THREAT ASSESSMENT CENTER

### 24-HOUR REPORT

**3 DECEMBER 2021**

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#### **(U) CALIFORNIA**

##### **(U) Chula Vista – Dealer of More Than 100-Pounds of Fentanyl Sentenced to Six-Years in Prison**

(U) Court officials in Chula Vista sentenced a suspect to nearly six-years in federal prison for distributing more than 100-pounds of fentanyl and other drugs. According to the plea agreement, the suspect was storing drugs at his home and shipping them to distributors across the United States through UPS. Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) agents seized 108.2-pounds of fentanyl from the suspect, along with smaller amounts of fentanyl analogue, cocaine, and methamphetamine. According to the US Attorney's Office, DEA agents nationwide have seized a record-high 12,000-pounds of fentanyl this year.

SOURCE: 2 December 2021, [Times of San Diego](#)

##### **(U) Costa Mesa – CHP Organized Retail Crime Task Force makes Arrest, Recovers \$300K in Goods**

(U) California Highway Patrol (CHP) investigators arrested a female suspect for committing several high-end retail thefts and possessing stolen merchandise. Authorities suspected the individual of taking merchandise, including purses and clothes from designers such as Gucci, Prada, and Jimmy Choo from stores in Southern California. Investigators from the agency's Organized Retail Crime Task Force targeted the suspect after observing her stealing merchandise multiple times and from different stores. A search warrant was served at the woman's residence, which was "packed wall to wall in every room" with stolen merchandise. Overall, more than 2,300 stolen items with a total value of \$328,686 were recovered.

SOURCE: 2 December 2021, [KTLA News](#)

##### **(U) Whittier – Bay Area Man Pleads in Firebombing, Hate Crime Case, Faces January Sentencing**

(U) A Fairfield man faces as much as 13-years in state prison after agreeing to a plea deal for a 2017 firebombing spree in Fairfield. The suspect plead no contest in November to one count of arson and three counts of setting off an explosive device which are all felonies. In a plea deal, the attempted murder charges against the suspect were dismissed. In 2017, court records show the suspect threw a homemade explosive device through the window of an occupied apartment while also using racial slurs toward the intended victims. Both victims were able to escape the apartment, however, the explosive device caused "substantial damage" to the apartment.

SOURCE: 1 December 2021, [Mercury News](#)

#### **(U) SOUTHWEST BORDER**

##### **(U) Arizona – Officers Seize 112-Pounds of Cocaine at Topock Port of Entry**

(U) Topock – Authorities with the Arizona Department of Transportation seized more than 100-pounds of cocaine from a commercial vehicle that came through the Topock Port of Entry on I-40 near the California state line. The vehicle came through the port from California and was directed by officers to an area for a routine inspection. During the inspection, a drug-sniffing dog detected illegal substances. Officers found boxes containing several bundles of cocaine, which weighed about 112-pounds in total. The driver was taken into custody and booked into the Mohave County Jail.

SOURCE: 2 December 2021, [US CBP](#)

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#### **(U) Utah – Two Utah Police Officers Shot by Rape, Robbery Suspect**

(U) Taylorsville – Two Utah police officers are recovering after being shot by a rape and robbery suspect while on duty. The officers approached the suspect, who was wanted for rape and robbery cases, while he was parked in a 7-Eleven parking lot in Taylorsville. After negotiating with the suspect to release a 9-month-old baby from the vehicle, officers advised the suspect refused to leave the vehicle. The suspect later got out of the vehicle and fired at the officers, striking two of them. Officers returned fire, hitting the suspect, who was taken to the hospital where he later died from injuries. The suspect had a history with police and was known to be armed and dangerous. The baby was not hurt, whose relation to the suspect is unknown at this time.

SOURCE: 2 December 2021, [WBAL News](#)

#### **(U) New York – Armed Man Outside UN Arrested after Standoff, Lockdown**

(U) New York City – The United Nations Headquarters in New York City was locked down for several hours after a man was seen pacing outside one of its main gates with what police advise appeared to be a shotgun. The man, who appeared to be in his 60's, was taken into custody without incident about three hours after he was first spotted. During the standoff, the man held a shotgun to his own throat and threatened to kill himself. He also reported to have a manifesto about the environment in his possession. The gates of the UN complex were closed, and the man didn't appear to be trying to breach the security perimeter. Police advised there was no danger to the public and a UN spokesperson said there was "zero indication" the man was a current or former UN employee.

SOURCE: 2 December 2021, [Star Tribune](#)

### (U) INTERNATIONAL

#### **(U) Syria – Ten Workers Killed in Attack on Bus in Syria**

(U) Damascus – Ten people were killed, and one person was injured in an attack on a bus carrying workers in an oil field in Syria's government-held areas. No details were offered of the nature of the attack or who was behind it. The workers killed in the terrorist attack were employers of the government-controlled Kharata oil field in Deir el-Zour province. Islamic State in Iraq and ash-Sham (ISIS) militants have been active in the desert area in east and central Syria despite losing territorial control in the country since 2019. They have previously carried out attacks in the oil-rich Deir el-Zour, where militants last held territory.

SOURCE: 2 December 2021, [Washington Post](#)

#### **(U) Iraq – At Least 10 Dead after ISIS Militants Attack Village in Northern Iraq**

(U) Arbil – Authorities advise at least three civilians and seven Iraqi Kurdish Peshmerga fighters have been killed in northern Iraq in an attack blamed on ISIS. The jihadists attacked the village of Khidir Jija, south of Arbil, killing three civilians. The Peshmerga, Kurdistan's armed forces, launched an operation in response, and seven fighters died when "an explosive device planted by ISIS elements blew up. The three civilians, siblings between the ages of 11 and 24, were children in the village.

SOURCE: 3 December 2021, [Times of India](#)

#### **(U) United Kingdom – Two Men Arrested at Dover on Terror Charges**

(U) Dover – Authorities arrested two men over terrorism offenses after they were stopped at the port of Dover. The suspects, from Glasgow and Clydebank, were initially stopped trying to leave the United

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Kingdom by Counterterrorism Border Police officers. After a search of their vehicle, they were arrested on suspicion of preparing acts of terrorism. Searches of properties in Glasgow and Clydebank have taken place and both men have been released on bond pending further inquiries.

SOURCE: 2 December 2021, [BBC News](#)

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